What is claimed is:

- A targeted glycoconjugate comprising a bioactive agent and a targeting compound, wherein the bioactive agent and targeting compound are joined by a modified saccharide compound.
- 2. The glycoconjugate of claim 1, wherein the bioactive agent comprises a polypeptide; releasing factor; releasing factor inhibitor; carbohydrate; nucleic acid; vaccine; anti-antibiotic; antiviral agent; anti-fungal agent: analgesics anesthetic; anti-helminthic; anti-arthritic agent; anti-asthmatic agent; anticonvulsant; antidepressant; anti-diabetic agent; anti-diarrheal; anticonvulsant; antihistamine; anti-inflammatory agent; toxin, antimigraine preparation; anti-nauseant; anticancer agent; anti-parkinsonism drug; anti-pruritic; anti-psychotic; antipyretic; anti-spasmodic; anticholinergic; sympathomimetic; xanthine derivative; cardiovascular agent; anti-arrhythmic; anti-hyperlipidemic agent; anti-hypertensive; diuretic; anti-diuretic; receptor agonist; receptor antagonist; vasodilator; central nervous system stimulant; vasoconstrictor; cough and cold preparation; enzyme inhibitor; hormone; hypnotic; hormonolytic; immunosuppressive agent; muscle relaxant; parasympatholytic; central nervous system stimulant; diuretic; hypnoticsleukotriene inhibitor; mitotic inhibitor; muscle relaxant; genetic material; psychostimulant; sedative; anabolic agent; vitamin; herbal remedy; anti-metabolic agent; anxiolytic; attention deficit disorder (ADD) drug; attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) drug; neuroleptic agent; or tranquilizer.
- 3. The glycoconjugate of claim 1, wherein the targeting compound comprises a glycoprotein, glycolipid or carbohydrate.
- 4. The glycoconjugate of claim 1, wherein the targeting compound comprises GlcNAc.
- 5. The glycoconjugate of claim 1, wherein the targeting compound is a receptor ligand or an antibody.

- 6. The glycoconjugate of claim 5, wherein the antibody is a polyclonal antibody.
- 7. The glycoconjugate of claim 5, wherein the antibody is a monoclonal antibody.
- 8. The glycoconjugate of claim 1, wherein the modified saccharide compound comprises galactose, glucose (Glc), D-deoxy-Glc, arabinose, GalNAc or GlcNAc.
- 9. The glycoconjugate of claim 8, wherein the modified saccharide compound further comprises a reactive functional group.
- 10. The glycoconjugate of claim 9, wherein the reactive functional group comprises an amino, hydroxy, carboxyl, thiol, phosphate, phosphinate, ketone, sulfate or sulfinate group.
- 11. The glycoconjugate of claim 9, wherein the reactive functional group is attached to the C2 position of the saccharide ring.
- 12. The glycoconjugate of claim 1, wherein the modified saccharide is galactose with a ketone moiety attached at the C2 position of the galactose ring.
- 13. A method for the treatment or detection of a disease or disorder comprising, administering to a subject in need thereof an effective amount of the glycoconjugate of claim 1.
- 14. A method of delivering one or more bioactive agents comprising administering to a subject the glycoconjugate of claim 1.

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- A method of vaccinating a subject against a disease comprising 15. administering to the subject an immunologically effective amount of the glycoconjugate of claim 1.
- 16. The method of any one of claims 13, 14 or 15, wherein the bioactive agent comprises a polypeptide; releasing factor; releasing factor inhibitor; carbohydrate; nucleic acid; vaccine; anti- antibiotic; antiviral agent; anti-fungal agent; analgesics anesthetic; anti-helminthic; antiarthritic agent; anti-asthmatic agent; anticonvulsant; antidepressant; antidiabetic agent; anti-diarrheal; anticonvulsant; antihistamine; antiinflammatory agent; toxin, anti-migraine preparation; anti-nauseant; anticancer agent; anti-parkinsonism drug; anti-pruritic; anti-psychotic; antipyretic; anti-spasmodic; anti-cholinergic; sympathomimetic; xanthine derivative; cardiovascular agent; anti-arrhythmic; anti-hyperlipidemic agent; anti-hypertensive; diuretic; anti-diuretic; receptor agonist; receptor antagonist; vasodilator; central nervous system stimulant; vasoconstrictor; cough and cold preparation; enzyme inhibitor; hormone; hypnotic; hormonolytic; immunosuppressive agent; muscle relaxant; parasympatholytic; central nervous system stimulant; diuretic; hypnoticsleukotriene inhibitor; mitotic inhibitor; muscle relaxant; genetic material; psychostimulant; sedative; anabolic agent; vitamin; herbal remedy; anti-metabolic agent; anxiolytic; attention deficit disorder (ADD) drug; attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) drug; neuroleptic agent; or tranquilizers.
- 17. The method of any one of claims 13, 14 or 15, wherein the targeting compound comprises a glycoprotein, glycolipid or carbohydrate.
- 18. The method of any one of claims 13, 14 or 15, wherein the targeting compound comprises GlcNAc.
- 19. The method of any one of claims 13, 14 or 15, wherein the targeting compound is a receptor ligand or an antibody.
- 20. The method of claim 19, wherein the antibody is a polyclonal antibody.

- 21. The method of claim 19, wherein the antibody is a monoclonal antibody.
- 22. The method of any one of claims 13, 14 or 15, wherein the modified saccharide compound comprises galactose, glucose (Glc), D-deoxy-Glc, arabinose, GalNAc or GlcNAc.
- 23. The method of any one of claims 13, 14 or 15, wherein the modified saccharide compound comprises a reactive functional group.
- 24. The method of claim 23, wherein the functional group comprises an amino, hydroxy, carboxyl, thiol, phosphate, phosphinate, ketone, sulfate or sulfinate group.
- 25. The method of claim 23, wherein the functional group is attached to the C2 position of the saccharide ring.
- 26. The method of any one of claims 13, 14 or 15, wherein the modified saccharide is galactose with a ketone moiety attached at the C2 position of the galactose ring.
- 27. The method of any one of claims 13, 14 or 15, wherein the disease or disorder comprises cancer; inflammatory disease or disorder; a hyperproliferative disorder; hormone deficiency disease; hormone abnormality due to hypersecretion; infectious disease; bacterial infection; viral infection; fungal infection; parasitic infection; cardiovascular disease or disorders; genetic disease; autoimmune disease; allergic reaction or conditions; organ rejection or graft-versus-host disease; and/or immune deficiency disease.
- 28. The method of any one of claims 13, 14 or 15, wherein the subject is a mammal.
- 29. The method of claim 28, wherein the mammal is a human.

- 30. A method to synthesize the glycoconjugate of claim 1 comprising:
 (a) incubating a reaction mixture comprising a β(1,4)galactosyltransferase I or a mutant thereof with a targeting compound
 and a donor molecule comprising a modified saccharide residue so as to
 form a targeting-modified saccharide compound; and
 (b) incubating the targeting-modified saccharide compound formed in (a)
 and a bioactive agent under conditions effective to generate a
 covalent bond between the modified saccharide and the bioactive agent.
- A method to synthesize the glycoconjugate of claim 1 comprising:
 (a) incubating a reaction mixture of a donor molecule comprising a modified saccharide residue and a bioactive active agent under conditions effective to generate a covalent bond between the modified saccharide and the bioactive agent; and
 (b) incubating a reaction mixture comprising a β(1,4)
 - galactosyltransferase I or a mutant thereof with the modified saccharidebioactive agent compound formed in (a) with a targeting compound so as to form the glyconjugate.
- 32. The method of claim 30 or 31, wherein the modified saccharide compound comprises galactose, glucose (Glc), D-deoxy-Glc, or arabinose.
- 33. The method of claim 30 or 31, wherein the modified saccharide compound comprises a reactive functional group.
- 34. The method of claim 33, wherein the functional group comprises an amino, hydroxy, carboxyl, thiol, phosphate, phosphinate, ketone, sulfate or sulfinate group.
- 35. The method of claim 33, wherein the functional group is attached to the C2 position of the saccharide ring.

- 36. The method of claim 30 or 31, wherein the modified saccharide is a galactose residue with a ketone moiety attached at the C2 position of the galactose ring.
- 37. The method of claim 30 or 31, wherein the targeting compound comprises a glycoprotein, glycolipid or carbohydrate.
- 38. The method of claim 30 or 31, wherein the targeting compound comprises GlcNAc.
- 39. The method of claim 30 or 31, wherein the targeting compound is a receptor ligand or an antibody.
- 40. The method of claim 39, wherein the antibody is a polyclonal antibody.
- 41. The method of claim 39, wherein the antibody is a monoclonal antibody.
- 42. The method of claim 30 or 31, wherein the bioactive agent comprises a polypeptide; releasing factor; releasing factor inhibitor; carbohydrate; nucleic acid; vaccine; anti- antibiotic; antiviral agent; anti-fungal agent; anal gesics anesthetic; anti-helminthic; anti-arthritic agent; anti-asthmatic agent; anticonvulsant; antidepressant; anti-diabetic agent; anti-diarrheal; anticonvulsant; antihistamine; anti-inflammatory agent; toxin, antimigraine preparation; anti-nauseant; anticancer agent; anti-parkinsonism drug; anti-pruritic; anti-psychotic; anti-pyretic; anti-spasmodic; anticholinergic; sympathomimetic; xanthine derivative; cardiovascular agent; anti-arrhythmic; anti-hyperlipidemic agent; anti-hypertensive; diuretic; anti-diuretic; receptor agonist; receptor antagonist; vasodilator; central nervous system stimulant; vasoconstrictor; cough and cold preparation; enzyme inhibitor; hormone; hypnotic; hormonolytic; immunosuppressive agent; muscle relaxant; parasympatholytic; central nervous system stimulant; diuretic; hypnoticsleukotriene inhibitor; mitotic inhibitor; muscle relaxant; genetic material; psychostimulant; sedative; anabolic agent; vitamin; herbal remedy; anti-metabolic agent; anxiolytic; attention

- deficit disorder (ADD) drug; attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) drug; neuroleptic agent; or tranquilizers.
- 43. A pharmaceutical composition comprising the glycoconjugate of claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 44. A kit comprising the glycoconjugate of claim 1 or the pharmaceutical composition of claim 43 and instructions for use in a therapeutic or diagnostic method.
- 45. A glycoconjugate according to claim 1 for use in medical therapy.
- 46. The use of claim 45, wherein the medical therapy is treating cancer; inflammatory disease or disorder; a hyperproliferative disorder; hormone deficiency disease; hormone abnormality due to hypersecretion; infectious disease; bacterial infection; viral infection; fungal infection; parasitic infection; cardiovascular disease or disorders; genetic disease; autoimmune disease; allergic reaction or conditions; organ rejection or graft-versus-host disease; and/or immune deficiency disease.
- 47. Use of a glycoconjugate of claim 1 to prepare a medicament for treatment of cancer; inflammatory disease or disorder; a hyperproliferative disorder; hormone deficiency disease; hormone abnormality due to hypersecretion; infectious disease; bacterial infection; viral infection; fungal infection; parasitic infection; cardiovascular disease or disorders; genetic disease; autoimmune disease; allergic reaction or conditions; organ rejection or graft-versus-host disease; and/or immune deficiency disease.
- 48. The use of claim 47, wherein the medicament includes a physiologically acceptable carrier.